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I send greetings to those celebrating National Environmental Crime Prevention Week, April 16-22.

Americans are blessed by our country's expansive landscapes, diverse wildlife, and beautiful public lands. All Americans share an obligation to be good stewards of the environment and to conserve our Nation's natural heritage for future generations. Each year during National Environmental Crime Prevention Week, the Environmental Protection Agency and other organizations work to raise awareness and educate the public about the seriousness of environmental crime and the signs of such activity. My Administration will continue to pursue initiatives that make our air cleaner, water purer, and environment better protected, and we will prosecute those who commit such crimes. By working together, we can make our lands safer and more enjoyable for all.

I appreciate those who are helping combat environmental crime, and I encourage all Americans to do their part to protect our national treasures by reporting criminal activity to the proper authorities. Your efforts ensure that our natural resources will remain a source of pride for our citizens, and your good work reflects the selfless spirit of America.

Laura and I send our best wishes.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "George W. Bush", with a stylized, cursive script.